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Title: A METHOD OF SECURELY SHARING 3173 Cedar Road
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NETWORKS USING UNTRUSTED SERVICE PROVIDERS AND TIGHTLY CONTROLLING CLIENT ACCESSIBILITY

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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In response to the Office Action dated July 12, 2004 for the above-identified patent application, Applicants submit the following:

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